each a Member, and William J. Perry, and James R. Schlesinger, both a Chairman, all of the Congressional Commission on the Strategic Posture of the United States.

## U.S. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance and Investment concluded a hearing to examine strengthening the Securities and Exchange Commission's enforcement responsibilities, after receiving testimony from Richard J. Hillman, Managing Director, Financial Markets and Community Investment, Government Accountability Office; Robert Khuzami, Director, Division of Enforcement, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission; Mercer E. Bullard, University of Mississippi School of Law, Oxford; and Bruce Hiler, Cadwalader, Wickersham and Taft LLP, Washington, D.C.

## CYBERSECURITY AND CRITICAL ELECTRICITY INFRASTRUCTURE

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine a joint staff draft related to cybersecurity and critical electricity infrastructure, after receiving testimony from Patricia Hoffman, Acting Assistant Secretary of Energy for Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability; Joseph McClelland, Director, Office of Electric Reliability, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; Richard P. Sergel, North American Electric Reliability Corporation, Princeton, New Jersey; and Allen Mosher, American Public Power Association, and David K. Owens, Edison Electric Institute, both of Washington, D.C.

#### **ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE**

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Energy concluded a hearing to examine net metering, interconnection standards, and other policies that promote the deployment of distributed generation to improve grid reliability, increase clean energy deployment, enable consumer choice, and diversify our nation's energy supply, after receiving testimony from Kevin A. Kelly, Director, Division of Policy Development, Office of Energy Policy and Innovation, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; Garry A. Brown, New York State Public Service Commission Chairman, Albany, on behalf of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners; Christopher Cook, Sunworks, LLC, Dunn Loring, Virginia; David Weiss, Pepco Energy Services, Arlington, Virginia; and Irene Kowalczyk, Meadwestvaco Corporation, Glen Allen, Virginia.

#### **BUSINESS MEETING**

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Mathy Stanislaus, of New Jersey, to be Assistant Administrator, Office of Solid Waste, Cynthia J. Giles, of Rhode Island, to be Assistant Administrator for Enforcement and Compliance, and Michelle DePass, of New York, to be Assistant Administrator for International Affairs, all of the Environmental Protection Agency.

### AUCTIONING UNDER CAP AND TRADE

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine auctioning under cap and trade, focusing on design, participation, and distribution of revenues, after receiving testimony from Alan Krueger, Assistant Secretary for Economic Policy-Designate and Chief Economist, Department of the Treasury; Douglas Elmendorf, Director, Congressional Budget Office; Jos Delbeke, Deputy Director-General, Directorate General for Environment, European Commission, Brussels, Belgium; and Anne E. Smith, CRA International, Washington, D.C.

# RECRUITMENT IN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia concluded a hearing to examine S. 736, to provide for improvements in the Federal hiring process, after receiving testimony from John Berry, Director, Office of Personnel Management; Susan L. Duncan, Assistant G–1 for Civilian Personnel, United States Army, Department of Defense; Gail T. Lovelace, Chief Human Capital Officer, General Services Administration; Max Stier, Partnership for Public Service, Washington, D.C.; and Linda Brooks Rix, Avue Technologies Corporation, Tacoma, Washington.

#### **NOMINATIONS**

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Seth David Harris, of New Jersey, to be Deputy Secretary, who was introduced by Senator Lautenberg, and M. Patricia Smith, of New York, to be Solicitor, who was introduced by Senator Schumer, both of the Department of Labor, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

### **NOMINATION**

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Margaret A. Hamburg, of the District of Columbia, to be Commissioner of Food and